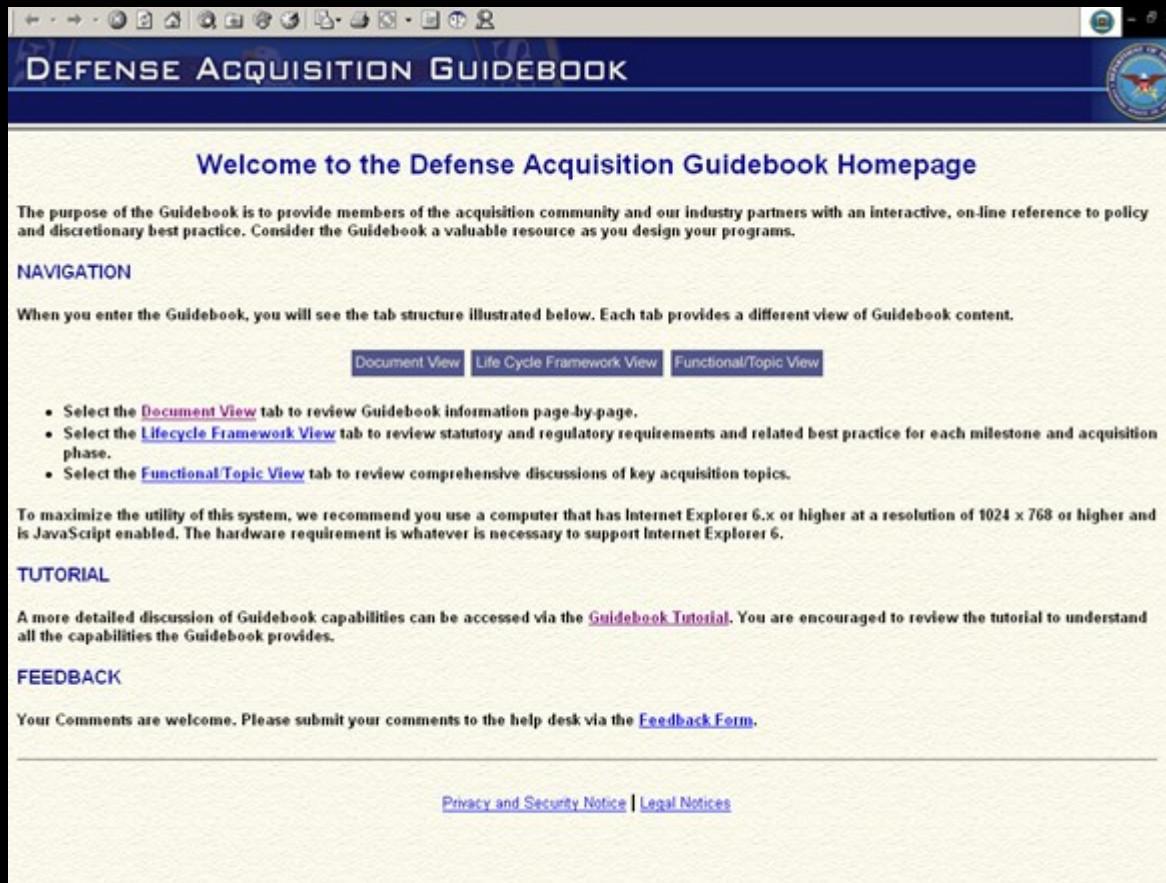


The Defense Acquisition Guidebook (DAG) Tutorial

Quick overview of how to navigate quickly between the various views and features of



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Defense Acquisition Guidebook. At the top, there's a blue header bar with the title "DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK" and the Defense Acquisition Guidebook logo. Below the header, the main content area has a light beige background. It starts with a section titled "Welcome to the Defense Acquisition Guidebook Homepage". Underneath, there's a brief description of the purpose of the guidebook. Then, there's a "NAVIGATION" section with a sub-section about tab structures. A horizontal row of three tabs is shown: "Document View", "Life Cycle Framework View", and "Functional/Topic View". Below these tabs, a bulleted list provides instructions for selecting each view. Further down, there's a note about system requirements and a "TUTORIAL" section. The "TUTORIAL" section contains a link to the "Guidebook Tutorial". Below that is a "FEEDBACK" section with a link to the "Feedback Form". At the bottom of the page, there's a footer with links to "Privacy and Security Notice" and "Legal Notices".

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NAVIGATION

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Document View Life Cycle Framework View Functional/Topic View

- Select the [Document View](#) tab to review Guidebook information page-by-page.
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To maximize the utility of this system, we recommend you use a computer that has Internet Explorer 6.x or higher at a resolution of 1024 x 768 or higher and is JavaScript enabled. The hardware requirement is whatever is necessary to support Internet Explorer 6.

TUTORIAL

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Using the Tutorial

Quick tips for using this tutorial and the site...

1. The tutorial will open in the PowerPoint Show view in a separate browser window from the Guidebook
2. You can page through the tutorial by using your Page Up (back) or Page Down (advance) keys to go through the tutorial
3. After you are through with the tutorial, you can get back to the Guidebook by simply closing the Tutorial's separate browser window

Using the Tutorial

Setting Resolution: The Defense Acquisition Guidebook is best viewed using a screen resolution setting of 1024 x 768.

To check and/or reset your screen setting...

1. Go to the *Start* button on your computer and then click through the following:
 - *Settings*
 - *Control Panel*
 - *Display*
2. When you get to the *Display* menu, click to the *Settings* tab. After this opens note the area the bottom right of this menu is a place to set *Screen Area*
3. Move the *Screen Area* control until you have reached the 1024x768 display setting. Then click *Okay*
4. Your computer will then prompt you to accept the settings and it will then reset your display to the new level

The Guidebook Homepage

- The Guidebook site is designed with a multi-view perspective. Users can link to their desired view by clicking the box links in the center of the
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Guidebook Navigation

- When you enter the Guidebook, you will see a common tab structure at the top of each page. Each tab on the left side of the page provides links to different views of the Guidebook's content

- There is also a handy link back to the Guidebook's homepage

The screenshot shows the 'DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK' homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs: Home, Document View, Life Cycle Framework View, Functional/Topic View, Search, Glossary/Acronyms, DAU Resources, and Help. Below the navigation bar, there is a sidebar with a link to the 'Defense Acquisition Guidebook' homepage. The main content area displays the 'DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK' logo and the 'FOREWORD' section. The 'FOREWORD' section contains text about the purpose of the guidebook and its relationship to other policy documents.

DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK

Home Document View Life Cycle Framework View Functional/Topic View Search | Glossary/Acronyms | DAU Resources | Help

Defense Acquisition Guidebook

DoD 5000.1-D | DoDI 5000.2

Defense Acquisition Guidebook

- Foreword
- Chapter 1 DoD Decision Support Systems
- Chapter 2 Defense Acquisition Program Office
- Chapter 3 Affordability and Life-Cycle Requirements
- Chapter 4 Systems Engineering
- Chapter 5 Life Cycle Logistics (LCL)
- Chapter 6 Human Systems Integration (HSI)
- Chapter 7 Acquiring Information Technology
- Chapter 8 Intelligence, Counterintelligence
- Chapter 9 Financial Management

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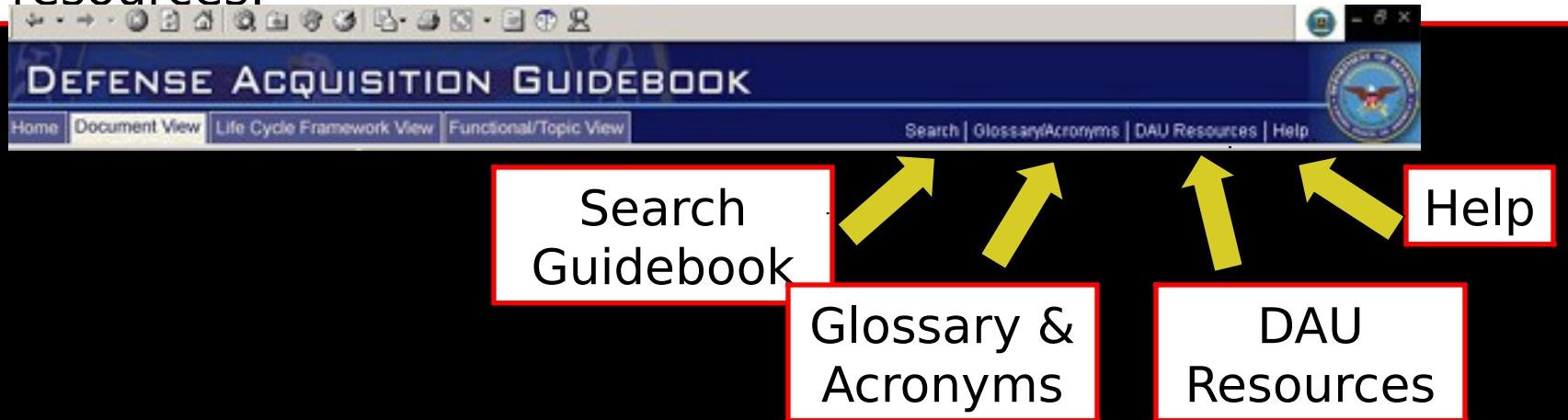
FOREWORD

The Defense Acquisition System exists to manage the Nation's investments in technologies, programs, and product support necessary to achieve the National Security Strategy and support the United States Armed Forces. In that context, our continued objective is to rapidly acquire quality products that satisfy user needs with measurable improvements to mission capability at a fair and reasonable price. The fundamental principles and procedures that the Department follows in achieving those objectives are described in DoD Directive 5000.1 and DoD Instruction 5000.2. The Defense Acquisition Guidebook is designed to complement those policy documents by providing

- Select the **Document View** tab to review Guidebook information page-by-page
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Guidebook Navigation

On the top right there are four more tabs to additional handy resources:



This same navigation bar can be found throughout the Guidebook and is explained more fully later in this presentation

Guidebook Document View: Navigation

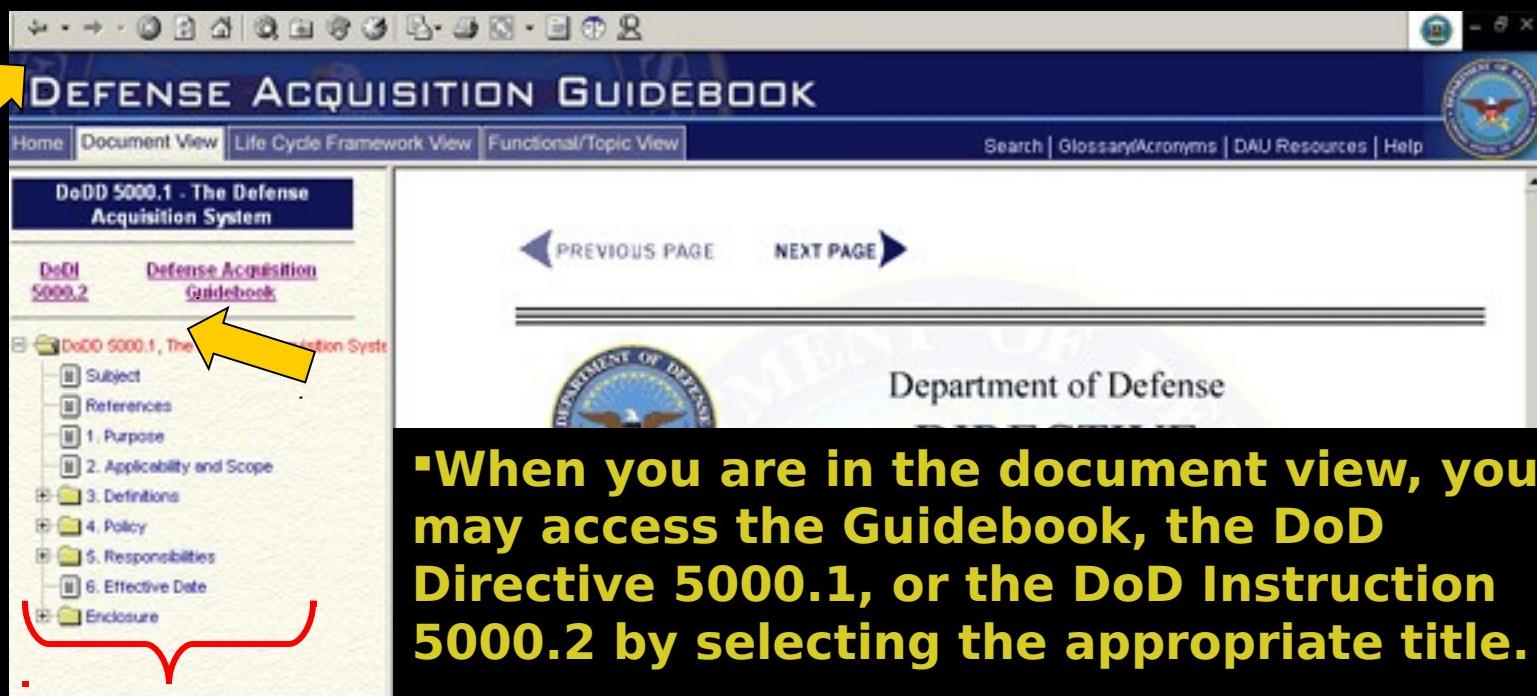
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- To review the Guidebook document page by page, select the Document view. This view includes information on DoD Directive 5000.1, DoD Instruction 5000.2
- The left navigation displays the chapter index for the Guidebook
- The previous and next page buttons allow navigation by pages

Guidebook Document View: Navigation

✓ A few more
navigation tips

- Besides using the Previous and Next arrows you may use your browser's back/forward arrow function



- When you are in the document view, you may access the Guidebook, the DoD Directive 5000.1, or the DoD Instruction 5000.2 by selecting the appropriate title.
- To navigate the selected document, click on index in the left frame

Guidebook Document View: Navigation

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The screenshot shows the 'DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK' document view. On the left, a navigation pane lists chapters under 'DoDD 5000.1 - The Defense Acquisition System'. A yellow arrow points from the '3. Definitions' chapter in this list to a red-highlighted '3. Definitions' link in the main content area. The main content area displays the title 'NUMBER 5000.1' and date 'May 12, 2003', along with the subject 'SUBJECT: The Defense Acquisition System' and a reference section.

- When navigating through the chapters, notice that the corresponding left navigation item is highlighted in red

This provides an easy visual way to see where you are within the document

Guidebook Document View: Internal & External Links

- Links are highlighted and underlined in **light blue** “hypertext” similar to what you would see on any website
- There are two types of links, those internal to the Guidebook which open in the main frame...
- and those that go to external websites in a new browser window

The screenshot shows a document page with a red border. At the top right are navigation buttons: a left arrow labeled "PREVIOUS PAGE", a right arrow labeled "NEXT PAGE", and a magnifying glass icon. Below these are two sections:

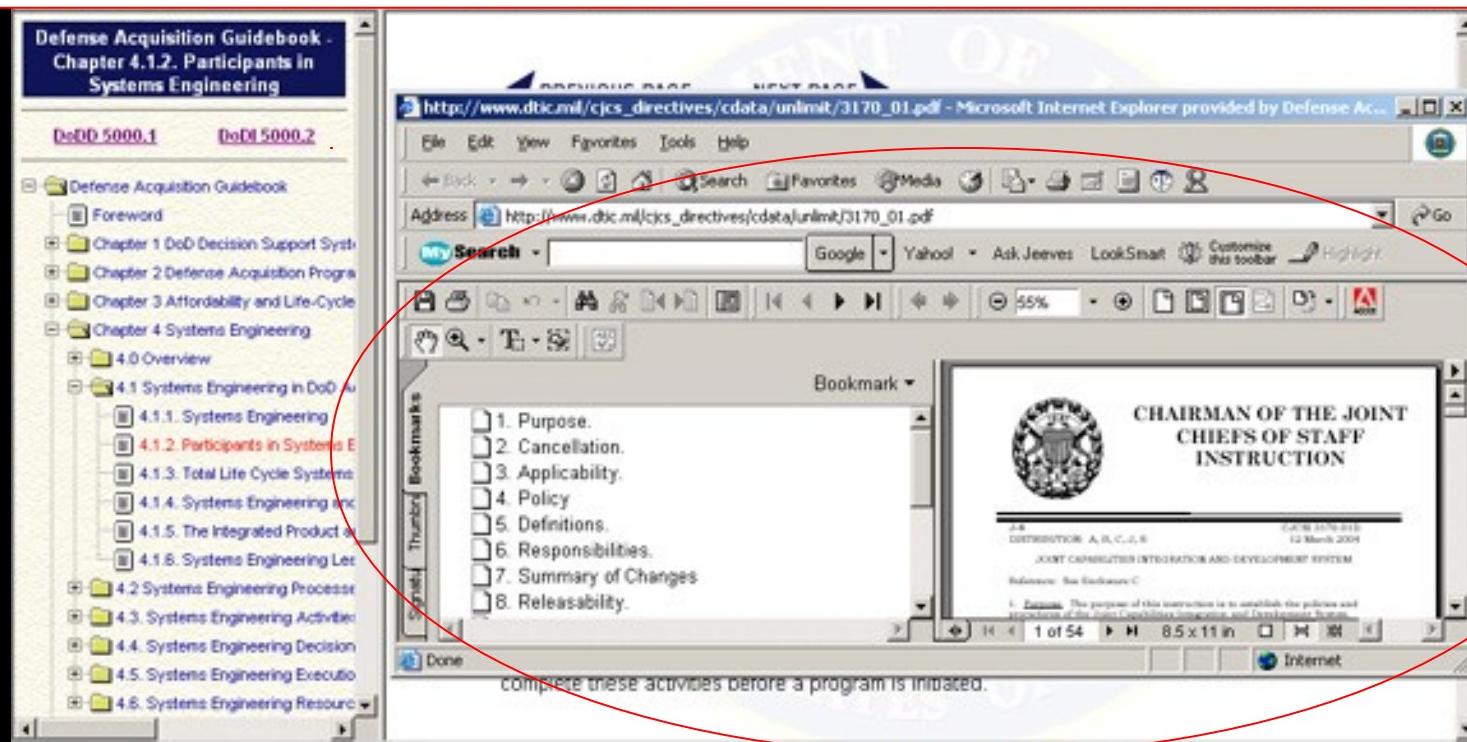
4.1.2. Participants in Systems Engineering

The text discusses systems engineering approach, mentioning the implementation of a robust systems engineering approach to translate operational needs and capabilities into operationally suitable increments of a system. It highlights the influence of systems engineering principles on performance, cost, and schedule parameters, and the role of program managers in leadership, decision-making, and oversight throughout the system life cycle. A red oval surrounds the sentence: "Program managers exercise leadership, decision-making, and oversight throughout the system life cycle. Implementing a systems engineering approach adds discipline to the process and provides the program manager with the information necessary to make valid [trade-off decisions throughout a program's life cycle](#)". A yellow arrow points from the left margin to this sentence.

Systems engineering is typically implemented through multi-disciplined teams of subject matter experts (often formally chartered as an Integrated Product Team (IPT)). The systems engineering working-level IPT translates user-defined capabilities into operational system specifications consistent with cost, schedule, and performance constraints. (See the DoD [Directive 5000.1](#) discussion of Knowledge Based Acquisition and [additional information](#) in this Guidebook.) While the program office usually has a Chief Engineer or Lead Systems Engineer in charge of [implementing](#) the systems engineering process, personnel from non-systems engineering organizations or from outside the program management structure may also perform activities related to systems engineering. Most program personnel should see themselves as participants in the systems engineering processes. Systems engineering-like activities include defining architectures and capabilities and conducting functional analyses per [CJCS Instruction 3170.01](#). Warfighters, sponsors, and planners usually complete these activities before a program is initiated.

Guidebook Document View: External Links Display

When you select an external link, it will open in a new browser window, which can be expanded to full view. When you close that window you will return to the Guidebook page you were on previously.



Navigating the Acquisition Policy Documents

Focus on DoDD 5000.1

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK". The main content area displays the front page of DoDD 5000.1, featuring the Department of Defense seal, the title "Department of Defense DIRECTIVE", and the number "NUMBER 5000.1". Below the title, there are sections for "SUBJECT: The Defense Acquis" and "References". A red bracket on the left side of the screen groups the left frame and the main content area, indicating they are part of the same interface.

• The left window frame permits you to navigate according to the paragraph structure in the Directive

• The main frame contains the front page of the Directive

Navigating the DoD Policy Documents

Enclosure

- Under Enclosure 1 you can access a listing of the 29 policy statements that are contained within DoD Directive 5000.1

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The main content area displays "DoDD 5000.1 - Enclosures 1". On the left, a sidebar lists the structure of DoDD 5000.1, including sections like Subject, References, Purpose, Applicability and Scope, Definitions, Policy, Responsibilities, Effective Date, and Enclosure. The "Enclosure" section is expanded, showing sub-items E1. Additional Policy, E1.1. Armaments Cooperation, and E1.2. Collaboration.

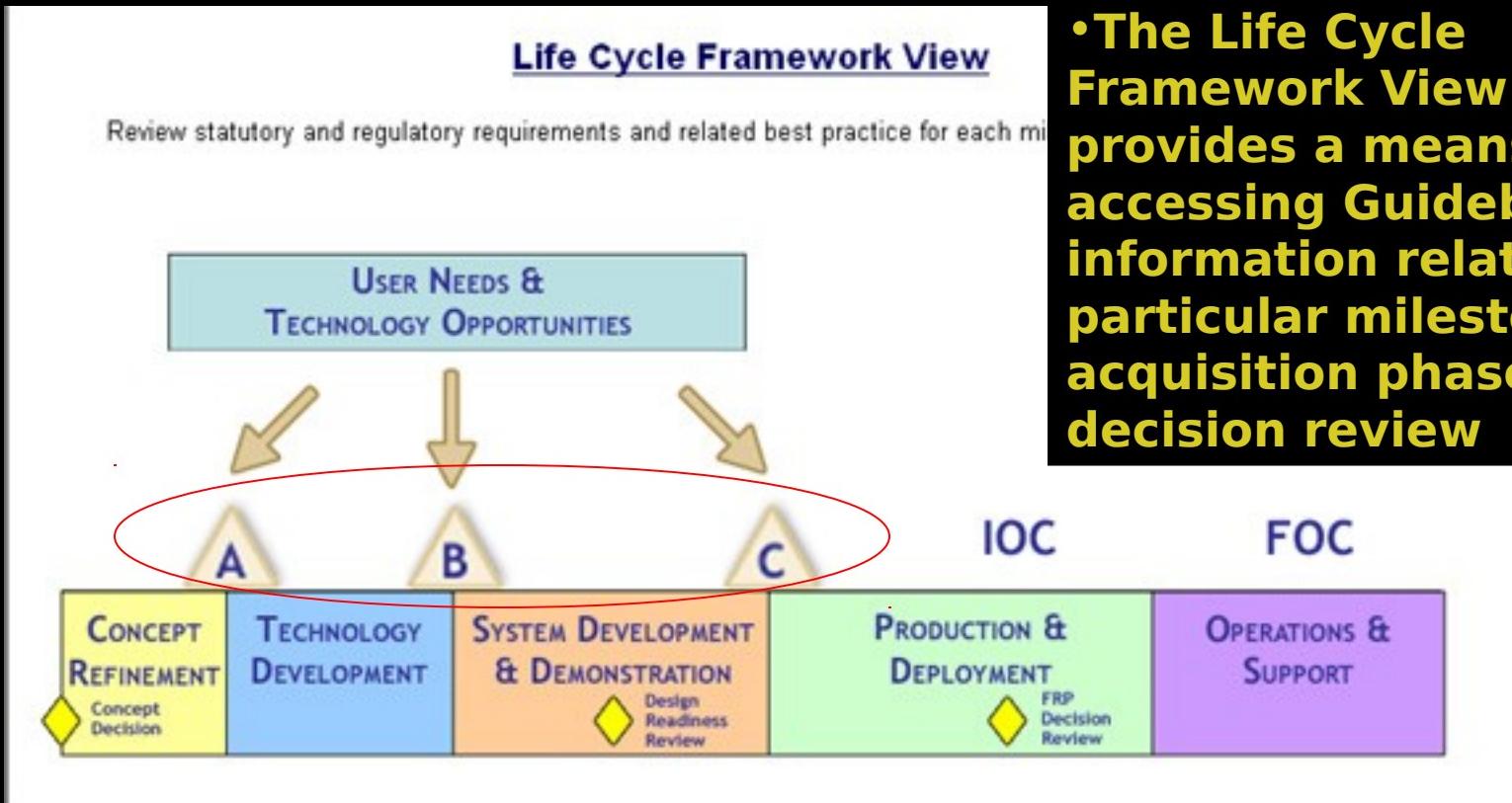
In the center, there are "PREVIOUS PAGE" and "NEXT PAGE" buttons. Below them, a red oval highlights the title "ENCLOSURE 1 Additional Policy".

E1.1. Armaments Cooperation. PMs shall pursue international armaments cooperation to the maximum extent feasible, consistent with sound business practice and with the overall political, economic, technological, and national security goals of the United States. International agreements for international armaments cooperation programs shall complete the interagency consultation and Congressional notification requirements contained in [10 U.S.C. 2350a](#) (reference (e)), [section 2751 of the Arms Export Control Act](#) (reference (f)), and 10 [10 U.S.C. 2531](#) (reference (g)).

E1.2. Collaboration. The DoD acquisition, capability needs, and financial communities, and operational users shall maintain continuous and effective communications with each other by using [Integrated Product Teams \(IPTs\)](#). Teaming among warfighters, users, developers, acquirers, technologists, testers, budgeters, and sustainers shall begin during capability needs definition. MDAs and PMs are responsible for making decisions and leading execution of their programs, and are

Life Cycle Framework View

Introduction

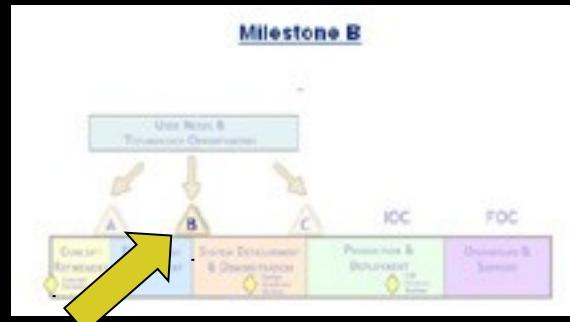


- The Life Cycle Framework View provides a means of accessing Guidebook information related to particular milestone, acquisition phase, or decision review

Life Cycle Framework View

Milestone Decision Information

- Click on a Milestone in the graphic (shown right)
- **For each Milestone you'll find tables that list all statutory and regulatory requirements.**
- **And allows you to link to the Guidebook information directly associated with the information requirement**



STATUTORY INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS Required for Milestone B		
INFORMATION REQUIRED	GUIDEBOOK LINKS	LINKS TO STATUTE, POLICY, AND INTERNET REFERENCES
The following information requirements are statutory for both MDAPs and MAIS acquisition programs:		
Consideration of Technology Issues	Chapter 2	10 U.S.C. 2384
Market Research	Chapter 2	10 U.S.C. 2377
CCA Compliance (All IT—including NSS) (Table E-11.)	Chapter 2	10 U.S.C. 644(e)(2) 40 U.S.C. Subtitle II Sec. 106B Pub. L. 107-288 (or successor appropriations act provision)
Registration of mission-critical and mission-essential information systems (if Program Initiation)	Chapter 7	Sec. 8088(a), Pub. L. 107-288 (or successor appropriations act provision) Pub. L. 106-398, Section 810
Benefit Analysis and Determination (applicable to bundled acquisitions) (part of acquisition strategy)	Chapter 2	10 U.S.C. 644(b)
Programmatic Environment Safety and Occupational Health Evaluation (PESHE) (including National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Compliance Schedule)	Chapter 4	42 U.S.C. 4321
Spectrum Certification Compliance (DD Form 1434) (applicable to all systems/equipment that require utilization of the electromagnetic spectrum)	Chapter 7	47 U.S.C. 305 Pub. L. 102-503, 104 47 U.S.C. 901-904

Life Cycle Framework View

Acquisition Phase View

- Acquisition Phase View allows you to access the statutory and regulatory information requirements relative to that phase
- Clicking on the phase titles will take you to Statutory, Regulatory and Contract Reporting Requirements for those phases

The screenshot shows the 'Life Cycle Framework: Technology Development Phase' interface. On the left, a navigation tree lists various phases: User Needs and Technology Opportunities, Milestone A Information Requirements, Milestone B Information Requirements, Milestone C Information Requirements, Concept Refinement Phase, Technology Development Phase (selected), System Development & Demonstration Phase, Production & Deployment Phase, and Operations & Support Phase. The 'Technology Development Phase' node has three sub-items: Technology Development Phase Statutory I, Technology Development Phase Regulator, and Technology Development Phase Contract I.

The main content area displays a table titled 'STATUTORY INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS During Technology Development'. The table has three columns: 'INFORMATION REQUIRED', 'GUIDEBOOK LINKS', and 'LINKS TO STATUTE, POLICY, AND INTERNET REFERENCES'. The first row contains the following information:

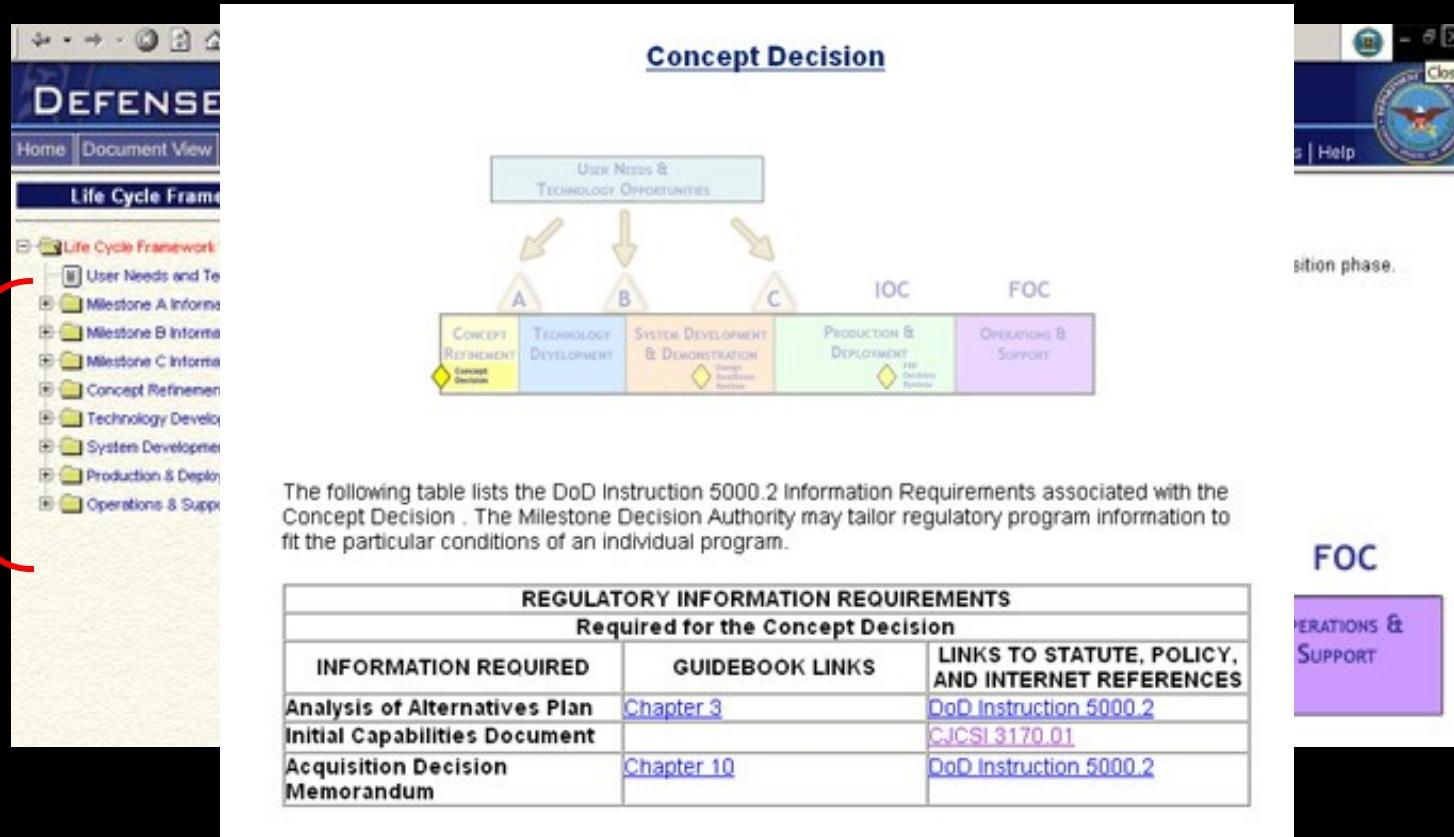
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The following information requirement is statutory for both MDAPs and MAIS acquisition programs Registration of mission-critical and mission-essential information systems (After initial registration, shall be updated quarterly) (Ship Programs initiated at MS A)	Chapter 7	Sec. 8088(a), Pub.L. 107-248 (or successor appropriations act provision) Pub.L. 106-398, Section 811
The following information requirements are statutory but are not applicable to MAIS acquisition programs Selected Acquisition Report	Chapter 10	10 U.S.C. 2432

At the bottom, a horizontal bar indicates the current phase: 'REFINEMENT' (yellow), 'DEVELOPMENT' (blue), '& DEMONSTRATION' (orange), 'DEPLOYMENT' (green), and 'SUPPORT' (purple). A yellow arrow points from the text 'Clicking on the phase titles will take you to Statutory, Regulatory and Contract Reporting Requirements for those phases' to the 'Technology Development Phase' node in the navigation tree.

Life Cycle Framework View

Decision Reviews

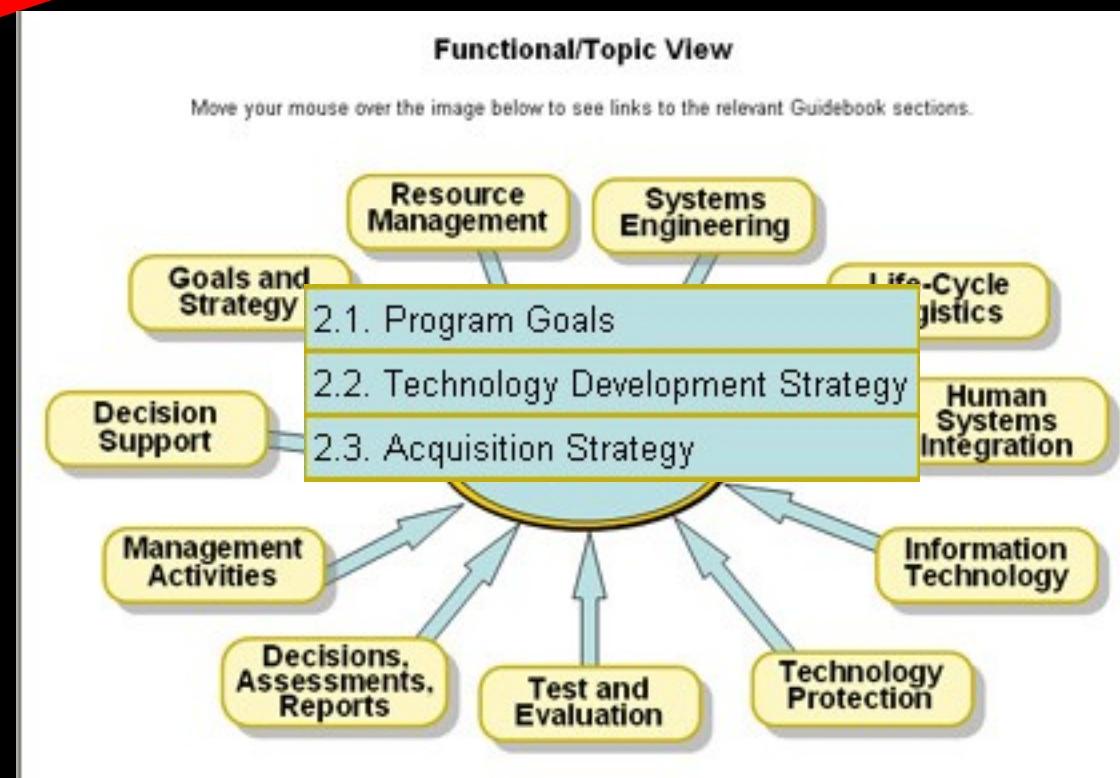
Similar to the other framework views, clicking on the Decision Review Diamonds will allow you to access the requirements for those reviews.



Functional/Topic View

View information from
the perspective of
specific functional
disciplines

- By moving the cursor over each functional topic on the graphic, you will see a menu of subjects related to that particular functional area



Functional/Topic View

Navigating between views

Once you have clicked on the subject area and are taken there in the Guidebook

- 2.1. Program Goals
- 2.2. Technology Development Strategy
- 2.3. Acquisition Strategy



you can either navigate using the Document View left

you can click the Functional/Topic View tab to return to the main Functional/Topic View screen

The screenshot shows the Defense Acquisition Guidebook interface. The top navigation bar includes Home, Document View, Life Cycle Framework View, Functional/Topic View, Search, Glossary/Acronyms, DAU Resources, and Help. The left sidebar displays a hierarchical table of contents for Chapter 2.3. Systems Acquisition: Acquisition Strategy, with sections like Foreword, Chapter 1 DoD Decision Support System, Chapter 2 Defense Acquisition Program, Overview, Program Goals, Pre-Systems Acquisition: Tech, and Systems Acquisition: Acquisi... (with a red circle around it). The main content area shows the '2.3. Systems Acquisition: Acquisition Strategy' page, which discusses the acquisition strategy results from planning and preparation, involving collaboration between the Milestone Decision Authority, program manager, and functional communities. It emphasizes minimizing time and cost while satisfying approved capability needs and maximizing affordability. The page also mentions the use of common sense and sound business practices, and the role of DoD executive leadership in developing the strategy. A red arrow points from the '2.3. Systems Acquisition: Acquisition Strategy' section in the sidebar to the same section in the main content area.

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Home Document View Life Cycle Framework View Functional/Topic View Search Glossary/Acronyms DAU Resources Help

Defense Acquisition Guidebook - Chapter 2.3. Systems Acquisition: Acquisition Strategy

DoDD 5000.1 DoDI 5000.2

Defense Acquisition Guidebook

- Foreword
- Chapter 1 DoD Decision Support System
- Chapter 2 Defense Acquisition Program
 - Overview
 - 2.1. Program Goals
 - 2.2. Pre-Systems Acquisition: Tech
 - 2.3. Systems Acquisition: Acquisi... (highlighted with a red circle)
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 - 2.3.1. Program Structure
 - 2.3.2. Acquisition Approach
 - 2.3.3. Capability Needs
 - 2.3.4. Test and Evaluation
 - 2.3.5. Risk Management
 - 2.3.6. Resource Management
 - 2.3.7. Systems Engineering Plan
 - 2.3.8. Interoperability
 - 2.3.9. Information Technology
 - 2.3.10. Research and Technolo...
 - 2.3.11. Information Assurance

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2.3. Systems Acquisition: Acquisition Strategy

The Acquisition Strategy results from extensive planning and preparation and a thorough understanding of both the specific acquisition program and the general defense acquisition environment. Development of the acquisition strategy requires collaboration between the Milestone Decision Authority, program manager, and the functional communities engaged in and supporting DoD acquisition. A well-developed strategy minimizes the time and cost required to satisfy approved capability needs, and maximizes affordability throughout the program life-cycle. Consistent with DoD Directive 5000.1, the program manager shall be the single point of accountability for accomplishing program objectives for total life-cycle systems management, including sustainment. The charge of DoD executive leadership is to use common sense and sound business practice in developing the acquisition strategy and executing the program. The program manager should organize an integrated Product Team to assist in development and coordination of the Acquisition Strategy.

When developing the acquisition strategy, the program manager and supporting team members should keep in mind their total systems responsibility. A complete discussion of Total Life Cycle Systems Management, consistent with the policy direction of DoD Directive 5000.1, appears later in this Guidebook.

Consistent with statute and regulation, the program manager should tailor the program planning and required information to the specific program needs. Additionally, the needs of the decision makers who will coordinate or approve the strategy should guide the preparation of the acquisition strategy. Table 2.3.1 lists the principal considerations associated with developing the acquisition strategy. Each element in the table is "hot-linked" to its respective paragraphs, below.

Searching Guidebook



The Search function allows you to search for information within the Guidebook and expand your search options. The default search function gives you results from DoD Directive 5000.1, DoD Instruction 5000.2, and the Defense Acquisition Guidebook...

Or you can target your search by adding additional criteria

A screenshot of the 'Search' page on the Defense Acquisition Guidebook website. A yellow arrow points to the search input field with the word 'default'. A curly brace on the left side groups the 'Limit Search To' section and the list of search criteria. Another curly brace on the right side groups the 'Search Tips' and 'Other Search Engines' sections.

Search

Select the search button to search all web content, including titles

Limit Search To

Narrow the search by selecting

All Info
 Titles Only

Search can also be further narrowed to one or more relevant areas.

Full Site
 Selected Libraries

Policy Documents
 Defense Acquisition Guidebook
 Community Areas (CoPs)
 FAR, DFARS, & Others
 Glossary & Acronyms
 Software Tools
 AT&L Web Sites
 News & Publications
 Ask a Professor
 Forms
 Acquisition Events
 Guidebooks & Handbooks
 Ethics

Search Tips

To search on a topic, simply type in a few key words, terms, or even syllables. The more specific your query is, the more relevant your results will be.

If your search string is a phrase, enclose it in double quotes (e.g. "Acquisition strategy")

To search for a series of words, terms, or even syllables that are not a phrase, first search for the word you believe will give you the most results, then use the **Search Within Results** feature, found at the bottom of the results page, for the remaining words.

Omit special characters, such as slash (forward & back), hyphen, and ampersand, even if they are part of the content for which you are searching.

For more Defense Acquisition Guidebook Search tips, visit Search Help.

Search Help

Other Search Engines

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Additional Search features and help are also provided on this page

Glossary & Acronyms

When you click on the Glossary tab from the left navigation bar, the Glossary & Acronyms function will open in a new window in front of the

When an acronym is clicked, it is spelled out in the right frame.

The screenshot shows a web-based guidebook interface. At the top, there's a header bar with links for 'Home', 'Document View', 'Life Cycle Framework View', 'Functional/Topic View', 'Search', 'Glossary/Acronym', 'DAU Resources', and 'Help'. The logo of Defense Acquisition University is also visible. Below the header, a left sidebar lists chapters of the 'Defense Acquisition Guidebook' such as 'Foreword', 'Chapter 1 DoD Decision Support System', etc. A yellow arrow points to the 'NEXT PAGE' button. The main content area has two frames. The left frame displays a list of acronyms starting with 'A' (AE, AB, AAA, AAC, AAE, AAN, ABCA, AC, ACAP, ACAB, ACAT, ACC, ACD&P, ACE, ACI, ACMQ, ACNO, ACO, ACRN, ACS, ACSA, ACSB, ACTD, ACWP) with the entry 'ACSA' circled in red. The right frame shows a detailed definition for 'ACSI': 'Assistance Chief of Staff for Intelligence (Air Force)'.

The Guidebook should be viewed as an electronic resource rather than a "book." The "reader"

Glossary & Acronyms

- Similarly, Glossary items provide specific definitions for each term.
- You may navigate the list by clicking on any letter of the alphabet.

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the Defense Acquisition Guidebook. The title bar reads "DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK". The main content area is titled "DAU Glossary, Version 11, plus Updates". At the top of this section, there is a horizontal menu with letters from A to Z: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z. The letter "A" is circled in red. Below this menu, the word "Acquisition Management" is highlighted with a red circle. To its right, a detailed definition is provided: "Management of all or any of the activities within the broad spectrum of acquisition, as defined above. Also includes training of the defense acquisition workforce and activities in support of the Planning, Programming, Budgeting and Execution (PPBE) Process for defense acquisition system/programs. For acquisition programs this term is synonymous with program management."

Glossary & Acronyms

- You may also search for acronyms or terms that either contain or begin with specified keywords.
- When you are through, you may close the window to return to the Defense Acquisition Guidebook.

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer window titled "DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK". The main content area displays the "DAU Glossary, Version 11, plus Updates". A red oval highlights the search input field labeled "Search for terms-Acronyms" with the text "Joint". Below the search field, a list of acronyms is displayed, starting with "Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System (JCIDS)". The page includes navigation buttons for "PREVIOUS PAGE" and "NEXT PAGE", and a search bar at the top right.

DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK

DAU Glossary, Version 11, plus Updates

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Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System (JCIDS)

JCIDS is defined in CJCS 3170.01-C and replaces the Requirements for Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JCRC) that was defined by CJCS 3170.01-B draw down dated 10 Dec 2003. JCIDS supports the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (CJCS) and the Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JRC) in specifying, assessing, and prioritizing joint military capabilities as required by law.

Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System (JCIDS)
Life Cycle Orientation Systems
Multi-Automated Information System (MAIS)
Autonomous Processor
Multi System (MxS)
Multi-User Information System (MUIS)
Mission Critical Information System
Military Critical Systems
Military Essential Information Systems
Military External Information Technology Systems
National Security System (NSS)
Open System
Open Systems Acquisition of Weapons Systems
Open Systems Environment (OSE)
Operational Systems Development
Planning, Programming, and Funding Systems (PPFS)

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The Guidebook should be viewed as an electronic resource rather than a "book." The "reader"

Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Resources

- Here you will find a listing of additional DAU resources and related links that can be quickly accessed.
- Clicking on one of these (ACC for example) will open the targeted site in a new window.

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window displaying the 'Acquisition Community Connection' (ACC) website. The title bar reads 'ACC: Acquisition Community Connection - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Defense Acquisition University'. The main content area features the ACC logo and the tagline 'Where the AT&L Workforce Meets to Share Knowledge'. A sidebar on the left lists various DAU resources: DAU Homepage, Training Courses, Continuous Learning, Knowledge Sharing, Performance Support, EXPLORER, ACC HOME, Contract Management, Data Management, DoD Wireless I&M CoP, and Facilities Engineering. A yellow arrow points from the text 'Clicking on one of these (ACC for example) will open the targeted site in a new window.' towards the 'ACC' link in the sidebar. The right side of the page includes a login form for 'YOU ARE GUEST (READ) EST', a 'Participate in a Community' section with links to Contract Management, Facilities Engineering, Program Management, Data Management, Information Technology, Risk Management, DoD Wireless, Logistics Management, Systems Engineering, and AAP (Acquisition and Logistics Questions). It also features links to DAU Virtual Campus, DAU Continuous Learning Center, and DAU Course Enrollment. The bottom of the page contains a footer with copyright information.

Help

Help Page provides information on:

- Printing,
- Tutorial
- Frequently Asked Questions,
- Submitting content on Content Questions, or
- Submitting content on Technical Questions.

The screenshot shows the 'DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK' help page. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Document View, Life Cycle Framework View, Functional Topic View, Search, Glossary/Acronyms, DAU Resources, and Help. The main content area has a 'Help' menu bar on the left. The right frame contains the 'Help/Print' section, which includes a 'Printing' subsection with instructions and a table comparing 'DoD Acquisition Policy' and 'Defense Acquisition Guidebook' chapters. A yellow arrow points to the 'Printing' section. Below it is the 'Navigation Tutorial' section, which is circled in red and includes a link to an online tutorial. Another yellow arrow points to this section. The final section shown is 'Guidebook content questions or problems', which lists two items for contacting the Ask a Professor (AAP) database.

DoD Acquisition Policy	Defense Acquisition Guidebook
DoD Directive 5000.1	Entire Guidebook
DoD Instruction 5000.2	Chapter 6
	Chapter 1
	Chapter 7
	Chapter 2
	Chapter 8
	Chapter 3
	Chapter 9
	Chapter 4
	Chapter 10
	Chapter 5
	Chapter 11

Navigation Tutorial

- Learn how to easily navigate through the Defense Acquisition Guidebook site and use all of the features available to you by using the [Online Navigation Tutorial](#).

Guidebook content questions or problems

- For content or policy questions, please first search the Ask a Professor (AAP) database <http://akss.dau.mil/advanceSearchLoad.do>
- If you do not find your answer, submit a question to the AAP System. <http://akss.dau.mil/taskaprof-akss/normal/postsubmit.asp?cgSubjectAreaID=1>

Help

Feedback

- The Help Page also includes the Feedback Form. Use the form to submit recommendations on content, suggestions for improving the website, or technical questions to the DAU Help Desk
- Just complete the fields and click the Submit

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title "DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK". The page header includes links for Home, Document View, Life Cycle Framework View, Functional/Topic View, Search, Glossary/Kronyms, DAU Resources, and Help. A large watermark of the Defense Acquisition Guidebook seal is visible across the page. The main content area is titled "Help" and "Defense Acquisition Guidebook Technical Feedback Page". It states that all fields are required unless otherwise noted. The form has several input fields:

- "Your Information" section with fields for Your Name (text input), Phone (text input), and E-Mail Address (text input).
- "Section or area of problem" field containing the URL "http://akss.dau.mil/dag/Help.asp".
- "Problem description" field, which is a large text area.
- "Other information:(not required)" field, which is another large text area.

A "Submit" button is located at the bottom right of the form.

Help

Ask a Professor

- The Help Page also allows you to submit a content question to Ask a Professor via the question form
- Click on the link to the Ask a Professor System and
- Just complete the fields and click the Submit button

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title bar "AT&L Knowledge Sharing System" and "Defense Acquisition University". The main content area is titled "Ask a Professor — Submit your Own Question". A sidebar on the left lists various menu items under "AKSS Menu", including DAU Homepage, Training Courses, Continuous Learning, Knowledge Sharing, Performance Support, AKSS Menu, Policy Documents, FAR, DFARS, & Others, Community Areas (CoPs), Reader's Choice, Glossaries & Acronyms, Education & Training, Software Tools, Def. Acq. Resource Ctr., DAU Video Library, Rapid Deployment Trng, AT&L Web Sites, News & Publications, Ask a Professor, Forms, Acquisition Events, Guidebooks & Handbooks, and Ethics. At the bottom of the sidebar, there is a red banner for "AKSS-CD Version September 2003 is now available NOW SPRING". The main form area contains fields for "General Topic Area" (with a dropdown menu showing "Acquisition Logistics"), "Title" (with a placeholder "Pose As A Question!"), "From" (with a placeholder "(your name)"), "Service/Organization" (with a dropdown menu showing "DoD"), "Company name" (with a placeholder "(Contractors only)"), "Phone", "E-Mail", and "Scenario Background". A note above the "General Topic Area" field states: "Use the drop-down arrow below to select the most appropriate area." and "Assign your question to an area".

Help

Frequently asked questions

- The Help Page also includes some frequently asked user questions.
- Click on the link to the FAQ page from the Help page menu, and
- A list of FAQs will appear for review

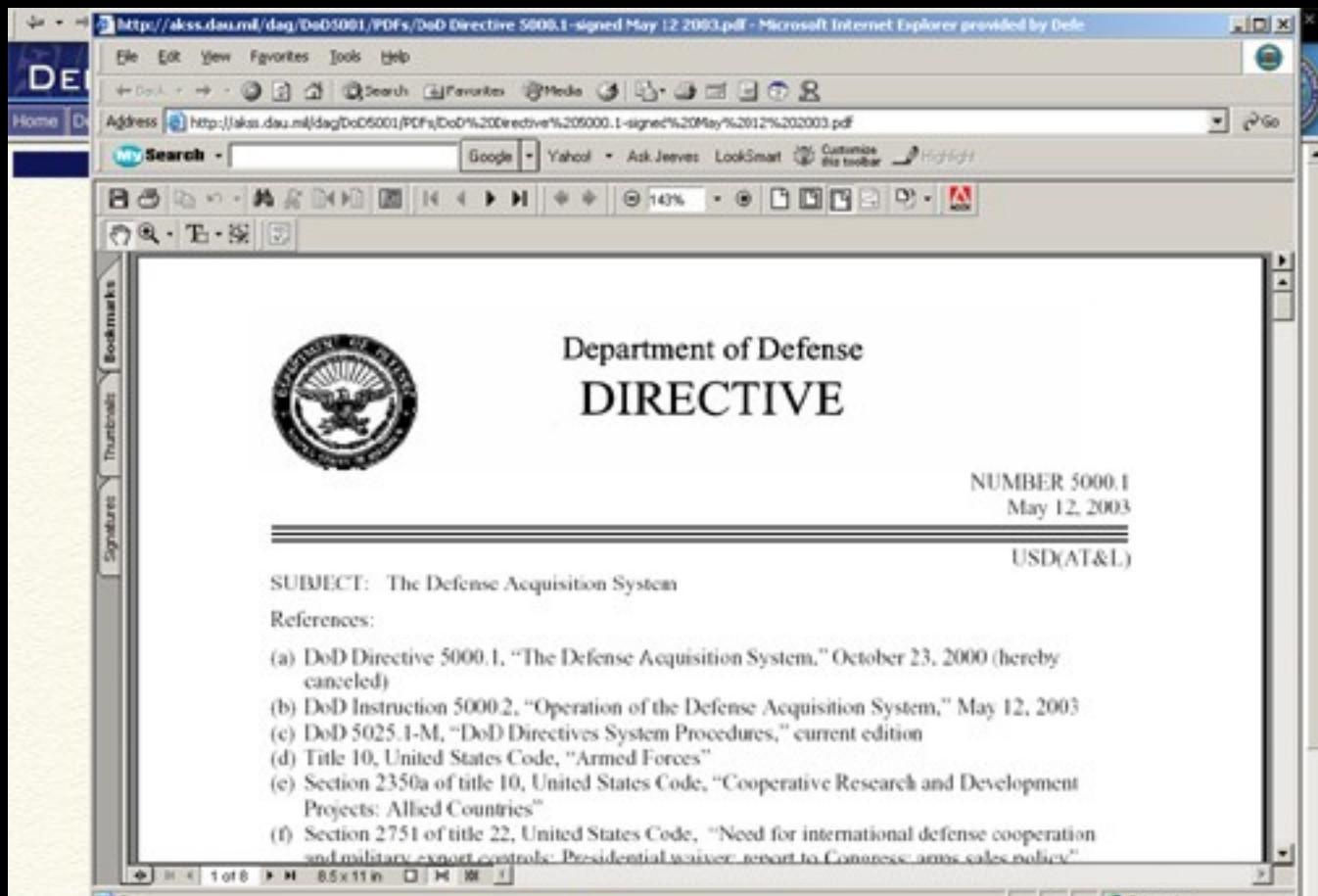
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- Q) What is the purpose of the Defense Acquisition Guidebook (DAG)?**
A) The purpose of the DAG is to assist the acquisition workforce in using and understanding the DoD Acquisition Policies and the guidance associated with those policies.
- Q) What is the difference between the three views (Document, Lifecycle Framework, and Functional)?**
A) Three views were created to assist in navigation, as well as to present the information in different ways. The Document View is for those who wish to navigate in more of a "library" style. The Life Cycle Framework View is for those who are more interested in the activities and policies associated with either a life cycle phase or a milestone review. The Functional View is for those who want to quickly review their topic of interest.
- Q) How do you navigate between the three different views?**
A) You may navigate between the views by using the links on the Home page or by using the top navigational tabs.
- Q) How do you navigate between the different documents?**
A) You may navigate between the documents by using the text links above the left navigation index.
- Q) How do you navigate within a document?**
A) You may navigate within a document by using the left navigational index or by using the Previous and Next arrows.

Printing

- The Help Page also provides PDF files suitable for printing a page, a section, or the entire Guidebook.

Help



- To access, open the PDF document by clicking on a desired file, select *Print*, select the printer, pages to be printed, and other options, then print. You can also do a screen print of content. Click mouse in the right content frame, then click *File/Print* and options ₂₉ from your Browser as before

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